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SUBJECT: NEW YORK TIMES SUMMARY MAY 25

IN FOUR COLUMN LEAD TIMES SAYS, " MAGRUDER AGREES TO ADMIT
GUILT AND BE WITNESS FOR PROSECUTION; NIXON ASSAILS THEFTS
OF SECRETS". U. S. ATTORNEY IN WATERGATE CASE SAYS HE EXPECTS
FURTHER INDICTMENTS WITHIN 60 TO 90 DAYS WHICH WOULD BE
" COMPREHENSIVE" AND WOULD FOCUS ON " OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE"
IN COVERUP. IN SENATE HEARINGS WATERGATE CONSPIRATOR BARKER
SAYS HIS AIM IN THE BREAK- IN OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY HEADQUARTERS
WAS TO FIND DOCUMENTS PROVING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE PARTY
FROM THE CUBAN GOVERNMENT, AND THAT HE HOPED THE BREAK-
IN WOULD SPEED THE LIBERATION OF CUBA, WHERE HE WAS BORN.
FORMER F. B. I DIRECTOR GRAY TESTIFIED BEFORE SENATE APPRO-
PRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE HE WARNED PRESIDENT NIXON ON JULY 6
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THAT HIS STAFF AIDES WERE " TRYING TO MORTALLY WOUND YOU"
BY HAMPERING F. B. I. INQUIRY.

ALSO ON FRONT PAGE TIMES REPORTS C . I. A. COULD FIND NO SUB-
STANTIAL EVIDENCE OF FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT IN DOMESTIC
RADICAL ACTIVITIES, ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT SOURCES, WHO
SAID HIGH- LEVEL WHITE HOUSE AIDES REJECTED THE C. I. A.
REPORTS IN 1969 AND 1970 AND ARRANGED FOR MORE THAN 35
AGENTS OF THE F. B. I TO OPEN OVERSEAS INTELLIGENCE POSTS IN
20 COUNTRIES. THE C. I. A. HAD REPORTEDLY FOUND THAT " RADICAL
MOVEMENTS WERE HOME- GROWN" AND NOT FOREIGN INSTIGATED, AS
AIDES BELIEVED.

FOLLOWING FRONT PAGE STORY ON NIXON SPEECH AT STATE DEPT.,
INSIDE HEADLINE READS, " NIXON, ADDRESSING EX- POW' S, ASSAILS
THEFT OF SECRETS AS THREAT TO THE NATION". CITING OVERRIDING
NEEDS OF NATIONAL SECURITY FOR SECRECY, PRESIDENT SAYS,
" IT IS TIME TO STOP MAKING HEROES OUT OF THOSE WHO STEAL
SECRETS AND PUBLISH THEM IN THE NEWSPAPERS."

CONGRESSMAN WILLIAM MILLS, R- MD., COMMITS SUICIDE FIVE
DAYS AFTER DISCLOSURE THAT HIS CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION HAD BEEN
PARTLY FINANCED BY UNREPORTED FUNDS FROM THE NIXON CAMPAIGN
ORGANIZATION.

TIMES EDITORIAL SAYS, " PRESIDENT NIXON' S SPEECH TO THE FORMER
P. O. W. S ... WAS AN IMPASSIONED DEFENSE- NOT OF TELLING THE
TRUTH OR OF OBEYING THE LAW OR OF DEALING FAIRLY WITH ONE' S
ADVERSARIES- BUT OF SECRECY." AFTER ANALYZING HISTORICAL
AMERICAN VIEW OF SECRECY IN CONDUCT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS
TIMES CONCLUDES, " THE PERILS OF SECRECY FAR OUTWEIGH
ITS ADVANTAGES. IF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
IS INCAPABLE OF GETTING STRAIGHT THESE FUNDAMENTAL TRUTHS,
IT IS ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT THAT THE FORMER P. O. W. S
AND THE REST OF US PONDER THEM IN THESE DIFFICULT DAYS FOR
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA." ON OPED PAGE RESTON SAYS
PRESIDENT NIXON ABUSES USE OF NATIONAL SECURITY AS JUSTIFICATION

FOR HIS ACTIONS. WICKER FINDS THE BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN
PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS TO HAVE TILTED SO FAR TO THE PRESIDENCY
THAT IT MUST BE CHECKED BY SENATE SCRUTINY OF THE WHITE
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HOUSE STAFF. MARCUS RASKIN AND ROBERT BOROSAGE CLAIM,
" THE WATERGATE AFFAIR IS THE NATURAL OUTGROWTH OF THE STRUCT-
URAL TRANSFORMATION OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT WHICH BEGAN
AFTER WORLD WAR II," AND CALL FOR A NEW CODE OF CONDUCT TO
HOLD U. S. LEADERS PERSONALLY ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR
ACTS AT HOME AND ABROAD. SENATOR HUGH SCOTT ARGUES FOR THE
LEGALITY OF PRESIDENTIAL IMPOUNDMENT OF FUNDS.

NEW JERSEY'S FORMER TREASURER, JOSEPH MCCRANE JR ., ACCUSED
OF CONSPIRACY WITH NELSON GROSS, WAS INDICTED ON FEDERAL
CHARGES OF MASTERMINDING A FINANCE SCHEME BASED ON INCOME
TAX FRAUD DURING GOVERNOR CAHILL'S 1969 CAMPAIGN.

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